

### Amendments to the Specification

Please add the following *new* paragraph after page 9, line 6 and before the section entitled "Detailed Description of Certain Preferred Embodiments of the Invention".

--*Figure 6* shows the claimed external compression apparatus for stimulating angiogenesis or wound healing as applied to a human patient. The figure shows various aspects of the invention including the series of cuffs with inflatable bladders around the extremities of the patient; a control means such as a computer monitoring the patient's EKG and oxygen saturation and controlling the inflation and deflation of the cuffs; negative pressure reservoir with vacuum pump for deflating the cuffs quickly; positive pressure reservoir with attached compressed gas for inflating the cuffs; a control valve operated by the control means, and an optional heating or cooling means for heating or cooling the gas or fluid in the cuffs.--